

in that part of the Sultan's dominion. The missionaries at Harput are in hourly peril and those at less populous centers must be still more exposed. Even Consul Ravndal sounds a tone of alarm when he reports that several of the foreign consuls have notified their governments that Syria is an unsafe place for aliens.

Exactly what measures will be adopted to protect those persons situated at a distance from the seaboard is not yet decided, but in this Admiral Cotton will be given a free hand, and, should the conditions warrant, he may land forces of marines. At the State Department it is said this is an extreme measure, but warranted under the law of nations whenever the ruling sovereign proves unable to afford safety to foreigners within his domain. The department has already received assurances, informal in their nature, from each of the powers interested in Turkish affairs that no obstacles will be placed in the way of the mode of procedure.

No change has been made in the orders to the European squadron to sail as soon as possible for Beirut. The Navy Department has been advised that the Makhias sailed yesterday for Port Said. The San Francisco and Brooklyn are still coaling. As it is believed that these vessels will not start for the East without taking on a large supply of coal, they probably will not sail for Beirut before tomorrow. The Navy Department has had no advice concerning their movements further than the announcement of their arrival at Genoa and of their purpose to coal there.

Nothing has developed overnight in connection with the Turkish situation. Minister Leishman reporting that the Turkish government has promised to use its utmost endeavors to apprehend and punish the man who shot at Vice Consul Magelsen. The warships will continue to Beirut and patrol the coast, just as the Marbledhead did a few years ago, more as a measure of moral influence than otherwise.

## KAISER'S THIRD SON TO CROSS CONTINENT

Will Join German Warship at San Francisco.

BERLIN, Aug. 29.—It has been decided that Prince Adalbert of Prussia, the Kaiser's third son, shall join the warship Hertha at San Francisco, traveling via New York and across the United States.

If time will permit Prince Adalbert will visit several American cities en route, as the Kaiser desires that he shall become acquainted with American life.

## JOSEPH HAWORTH FOUND DEAD IN BED

Joseph Haworth, the actor, was found dead last night in his room at a Willoughby, Ohio, hotel. Death is believed to have been the result of heart disease. Mr. Haworth had not been well since last Sunday. The discovery of the body was made by the actor's sister, Miss Haworth, who went to his room. Funeral services will be held in Willoughby.

Mr. Haworth was one of the best known and most capable actors on the American stage. He received his early training from John A. Ellsler, the veteran actor, whose death occurred several days ago in New York. Haworth was identified with many of the noted productions of recent years and his work was always highly commended by press and public. His last important engagements were with Richard Mansfield in "Julius Caesar" and with Blanche Walsh in Tolstoy's "Resurrection."

## COMPROMISE FOR ALASKA

SEATTLE, Wash., Aug. 29.—United States Senators Dillingham, Burnham, Patterson and Nelson, who went to investigate Alaskan needs, have arrived here. They will not favor a territorial form of government, but think that Alaska should have a delegate in Congress.

## BERLINER CONSTRUCTS AEROPLANE WHICH FLIES

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plate, with rods of oak and metal tubing for supports and weights about thirty-four pounds including ballast. The motive power for horizontal propulsion was supplied by two common skyrockets attached horizontally to the rear of the machine, the latter measuring 3 1/2 x 5 feet in width by about 7 feet long from tip to tip.

On August 19 this machine lifted itself from the ground and in perfectly steady flight reached a height of eight feet from the ground; it also maintained itself for fifty feet at an almost even height of three and one-half feet from the ground. No catapult or throwing device was employed, a mere push by hand only was given in starting.

### How the Machine is Built.

The main body consists of arches, open below, sloping down in the rear where wide tail ends are attached. The arches in moving forward produce a current of compressed air and at the same time exert a parachute action which helps to support the structure, but the main lifting is done by the inclined and spread-out tail pieces catching the air current. Wheels are attached to facilitate the obtaining of the initial speed on any fairly smooth surface and they have since been mounted elastically in order to modify sudden shocks should the machine strike against a hard surface.

### Inventor's Son in Charge.

The experiments thus far were carried out under Mr. Berliner's directions by his second son, Edgar, a student of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, who added useful suggestions while working out the models, and the actual

## DISTRICT RIFLE TEAM SHOWS GREAT FORM

Major Bell Much Pleased With the Practice.

## STORM DRIVES MEN TO COVER

Practice Yesterday Had to Be Dispersed With on That Account—Many New Arrivals.

RIFLE RANGE, SEA GIRT, N. J., Aug. 29.—Thoroughly chilled and disappointed were the District of Columbia and the other riflemen camped here for the tournament by the driving storm which swept across the range all day yesterday and made the day's practice impossible. Major Bell felt keenly the interruption, as he did not get the team through the 1,000-yard practice on Thursday.

Thirty members of the Massachusetts State team and the First Corps cadets' team, of Boston, reached the range yesterday afternoon, and thirty more will follow early next week to represent the old Guard, the Massachusetts Rifle Association, and Battery B. This will make the Bay State delegation the largest it has ever had at the Sea Girt shoot. Michigan entered a team yesterday afternoon through Quartermaster General J. H. Kidd. The army-navy maneuvers on the Maine coast may keep the Maine team home. It sends word that it will be here if the National Guard succeeds in driving off the enemy in time.

### The High Scores.

The best practice scores here so far by the District team are: Five hundred yards, Lieut. W. M. Farrow, possible; Lieut. G. D. Dennison and Sergeant Groom, 49. Six hundred yards (five shots), Private Maurice Appleby, possible; Major Glendie B. Young, 24. Nine hundred yards, Private G. E. Cook, 48.

The District of Columbia rifle team's practice Thursday afternoon for the tournament which opens September 2, was altogether satisfactory to Major James E. Bell.

"We're knocking the bull's-eyes out of the target," said he, at the end of the 500-yard practice, where the average score was gratifyingly high. The top man was Lieut. W. Milton Farrow. At 400 yards, Private Maurice Appleby was high, at 48. The conditions were first-rate, and the men were on their mettle after a refreshing night's sleep.

### Two New Arrivals.

To the District delegation several additions have arrived since Wednesday night. Major Glendie B. Young and Private Edward J. Fink, of the Brigade team, got in Thursday forenoon, and Major William E. Harvey, also of the Brigade team, that evening.

Two of the detachment attended the Reliance-Shamrock race Thursday. Capt. Sheridan Perree, of the Second Regiment, who was on the revenue cutter, and Lieut. W. W. Cookson, inspector of rifle practice, Second Regiment.

Four teams were hard at work at the targets all day Thursday, and were at it again yesterday morning—District of Columbia, Navy, Marine Corps, and New Jersey—although the national match is two full weeks off. Gen. Bird W. Spencer, executive officer of the range, is coaching the local sharpshooters into form. Like the Washingtonians they had not a miss. Dr. Scott, formerly of the District team, is tuning up the Marines, and Lieutenant Bulmer, of the Navy.

To the fourteen entries announced in these columns on Sunday for the national match have been added Maine. That Michigan, a newcomer to the Sea Girt tournament, will also be here, there is now little doubt.

### Rear Admiral Read, U. S. N., and the Army, Navy, and Marine Corps officers on the range were the guests of General Spencer at dinner Thursday night at the Beach House. Those present were Major Ames, Lieutenant Christie, and Lieutenant Carter of the Army; Captain Dewey, Lieutenant Holcomb of the Marine Corps, and Lieutenant Bulmer, of the Navy.

trials were conducted by the latter early in the morning before sunrise on lonely country roads near this city with the assistance of a pupil of the McKinley Manual Training School.

Mr. Berliner, who is away on a vacation, visited Washington repeatedly during this summer for the purpose of inspecting his son's work, but he will soon return for the season and continue the experiments personally.

### To Surpass Birds.

The inventor confidently expects that with increased speed the best performance of birds, which is the flying of two pounds weight for every square foot of horizontal area, will be considerably surpassed. If this became true, before long people should fly around like birds, because two wings, each 5x12 feet, would then carry a person of average weight together with a small propeller, foot or machine driven.

A large number of cellular models have also been designed, and work will be pushed rapidly during the coming season.

### Further Developments.

The tail will receive careful study. Mr. Berliner believes that it should consist of overlapping steel blades and capable of being contracted, spread out or quickly given any angle, in imitation of a bird's tail.

Enough cork sheathing will be used to float the machine should it fall into the water, and as for sudden accidents in the air, it is believed that no parachute will be necessary, the arches appearing to lend enough checking power for preventing too rapid a descent should the propeller stop suddenly.

## WATER RENT REFUND BARRED BY STATUTE

Commissioners to Ask Congress for Relief.

## EQUITY DEMANDS ACTION

Appropriation Acts Only Permit Refund of Money Erroneously Paid—Many Cases Not in This Category.

Steps were taken by the District Commissioners today to effect a more equitable arrangement in the matter of refunding moneys paid for water rent, when no water has been furnished by the District. The action is important, and will affect hundreds of taxpayers in the jurisdiction of the Commissioners. Heretofore payments have been withheld by the District, although equity demanded the payment, and many complaints have been filed with the Commissioners as a result.

The action in this instance has been taken upon the complaint of O. W. White, who recently began the construction of a building at 1810 Baltimore Street. Mr. White paid \$12 water rent in advance, and then decided not to complete the building. He accordingly made application for refund. The following indorsements explain the situation thoroughly:

### Law Stands in the Way.

George F. Green, water registrar, says: "Respectfully forwarded to the Engineer Commissioner, recommending that the inclosed receipt be returned with information that the law allows refunds only where payments are erroneously made, and as this one does not appear as such, the request cannot be granted."

Acting Engineer Commissioner, referred the matter to the acting auditor, Alonzo Tweedle, with the following comment: "It seems to me that it is entirely equitable that a refund be made in this and similar cases, and I recommend such action, if the law permits."

Notwithstanding this indorsement, the Auditor declared that the Commissioners had no authority to make the refund, and Captain Harding accordingly made the following recommendation: "In view of the strong equities in this case, I recommend that the papers be returned to the Auditor to examine if there is not some method of making the refund without violating the law, and if there is none to indicate what legislation would be necessary to authorize the return of the deposit made to cover the charge for a commodity which is actually not furnished."

### Auditor Garrison's Action.

By this time the new Auditor, Mr. Garrison had assumed office, and the matter was turned over to him for action. He says: "The appropriation for refund of taxes is limited by law, and well-settled decisions to the refund of taxes and fees 'erroneously paid.' The appropriation for refunding water rents has been held (and I think properly) to be subject to the same rule. I therefore suggest, in order to secure appropriate legislation for the payment of this claim, that the same be reported for a special appropriation in the general estimates for deficiencies of the District, to be submitted to Congress at the next session, with an explanatory letter."

Captain Harding then closes the case by recommending that Mr. White be informed that the Commissioners are without authority to make the refund, but that steps will be taken immediately to obtain the much-needed legislation.

## ORDERED BOY SPANKED AND SAW THE OPERATION

Policeman Takes This Method of Dealing With Horsethief.

An exciting ten-mile chase along the Sutherland road occurred last night, in which a youthful horsethief was pursued, and Mounted Policeman Riley, of the Ninth precinct, the pursuer. The boy was captured, turned over to his parents, soundly spanked, and the horse restored to its owner.

Randolph Jackson, of Benning, reported that he had left his horse, a speedy trotter, hitched in Benning, attached to a smart trap, and had returned to find it gone. Some one volunteered the information that a diminutive lad had been seen to drive off down the Sutherland road with the rig, and the officer started in pursuit. It was a long chase, but ten miles out of the District the policeman overtook the culprit. The boy gave his name as Freddie Maske, and his age as eleven. In view of his youth the policeman did not desire to arrest him, so he turned him over to his parents on condition that they spank him, and then stayed to see the proper execution of the bargain. He then took the horse back to his owner.

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## DIED.

McKELVEY.—On Saturday, August 29, 1903, at 6:40 a. m. JOHN JOSEPH MCKELVEY, loved husband of Agnes McKelvey (nee Slade), aged 58 years.

Funeral Monday, August 31, 1903, from his late residence, 1746 Twentieth Street northwest, Requiem mass at St. Matthew's Church at 9 o'clock. Relatives and friends invited. (New York, New Jersey, and Philadelphia papers please copy.)

LARKIN.—On Saturday, August 29, 1903, FRANCIS S., beloved son of Francis and Anna Larkin, aged one year and eight months. Funeral from his parents' residence, 800 Twenty-fourth Street northwest, Monday at 2 p. m. Friends and relatives respectfully invited to attend.

## IN MEMORIAM.

CLARRIDGE.—In loving remembrance of my mother, Mrs. M. A. CLARRIDGE, who died this day ten years ago.

## STORM CAUSES WRECK ON THE B. & O. ROAD

One Man Killed and Several Passengers Injured.

As the result of a storm blowing the roof off of a freight car on the Baltimore and Ohio last night at Funkstown siding, near Hagerstown, a passenger engine was wrecked, one baggage car demolished, three other cars derailed, and one man killed. The crew and passengers reached Washington this morning on another train which was made up after the accident at Hagerstown.

The storm which passed over Washington last night, came from the direction of Hagerstown, where it did much damage to buildings and trees. A Baltimore and Ohio freight was struggling against the gale, toward Hagerstown, when a particularly fierce gust of wind wrenched off the roof of the car and dropped it on the track in the rear of the train. The trainmen thought it had been thrown to one side.

A few minutes later the passenger train due at Hagerstown from Baltimore at 8:30 in charge of Conductor Nathan A. Hammond, Engineer E. F. Provance, and Fireman Edward E. Murphy, who lived at 19 North Calhoun Street, Baltimore, came along in the darkness and plunged into the roof. The locomotive was thrown from the track and the baggage car followed. Both were wrecked. Murphy was pinned under the machine and killed. Provance was injured, but not seriously. Some of the passengers were bruised by being thrown from their seats.

Word of the accident was sent to Hagerstown and a wrecking train hurried out to the siding. In two hours the track had been cleared. In the meantime the passengers were taken to Hagerstown, where they remained until another train was made up, which brought them to Washington.

None had any complaint to make, as the accident was one that could not have been provided against.

## MRS. CLEPHANES' ESTATE LEFT TO NEAR RELATIVES

Estimated That Property Disposed of Aggregates \$50,000.

The will of Julia Clephane, dated October 9, 1902, was filed today for probate. She directs the following disposition of her property: To her brothers, James O. Clephane, \$12,000; to Walter C. Clephane, Lewis P. Clephane, and Allan O. Clephane, her nephews, and her niece, Ella C. Clephane, \$10,000 each; to Sadie L. Clephane and Pauline J. Clephane, nieces, \$3,000 each; to Malcolm W. Clephane, a nephew, \$4,000; to Lewis H. Spear, a nephew, \$1,000; to Annie M. Clephane, \$4,000; to the National Homeopathic Hospital of the District of Columbia, \$5,000.

The remainder of the estate is to be divided among James O., Walter C., Lewis P., Allan O., Ella C., and Annie M. Clephane, in proportion to the amount of the bequests given them. The other personal estate of the testatrix is also divided among the beneficiaries named.

## NEWS FROM ROCKVILLE.

ROCKVILLE, Md., Aug. 29.—The declaration of Alban G. Thomas, of Ash-ton, as a candidate for the house of delegates on the Republican ticket, has not been formally presented to the county committee, and it is possible that he may be prevailed upon to remain on the ticket. In any event, the selection of a substitute candidate will not be considered until the next meeting of the county central committee, which will take place September 7.

Willis Burdette, chairman of the county committee, said this morning that he had no notice of Mr. Thomas' intention of withdrawing from the ticket, but that he had heard a rumor that he contemplated such action. According to Mr. Burdette, Mortimer Stabler, of Sandy Spring, would stand a good chance of being placed upon the ticket in the event Mr. Thomas cannot be prevailed upon to stand for election.

Frederick Thomas, son of the nominee, said today that his father had declared before he was nominated that he would not accept the nomination, as it would conflict with his business. Mr. Thomas, Jr., added that his father left home for Kentucky Beach, N. J., the day after the county convention, and that he has not said anything to him in reference to the matter since that time. If Mr. Thomas has definitely decided not to be a candidate, he has not written his family of such intention.

George Holland, colored, who is held in jail here to await trial, upon a charge of assaulting an officer, was given a hearing before Justice Brewer this afternoon and remanded to jail for a further hearing. The alleged assault occurred at the time Deputy Sheriff Bradley shot the accused at Emory Grove on last Sunday week, when the officer undertook to arrest the negro.

Pennsylvania Railroad to Niagara Falls. A special train of parlor cars and coaches will leave Sixth and B Streets Station at 8 a. m. September 4, with Pennsylvania's next Personal Conducted Tour to Niagara Falls; \$10 for the round trip; tickets good for ten days. Consult agents for further information.

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## Ibsen, the Dramatist, In Critical Condition

Brilliant Norwegian's Career Nearing an End, and Physicians Summon Relatives to Bedside.

BERLIN, Aug. 29.—The "Voessische Zeitung" hears that Henrik Ibsen, the famous author, who has been ill for some time, is worse, and that the end is near.

His physicians have informed his relatives that the author is in a critical condition.

Henrik Ibsen, Norwegian poet and dramatist, was born at Skien, March 20, 1828. He began life as an apothecary. His first drama, "Catiline," written when he was twenty-two years old, proved a failure. In 1851 he went to the University of Christiania and later became director of theaters, first at Bergen and subsequently at Christiania.

Because of the failure of Norway to help the Danes in their war with Prussia, Ibsen, in 1864, left the country in anger and resided abroad until 1892.

His "Warriors in Helgeland," written in 1858, and "Rival Kings," written in 1864, placed him in the front rank of Scandinavian national dramatists. The first leaning toward the writing of satirical social dramas was made in his "Love's Comedy" in 1862. The work, however, which first attracted world-wide attention to Ibsen, was "A Doll's House," written in 1879, a keen arraignment of modern social customs, being particularly a plea for reasonable divorce.

This was followed by a sequel, "Ghosts," in 1881; "The Wild Duck," in 1884; "The Lady from the Sea," in 1888; "The Master Builder," in 1892; "John Gabriel Borkman," in 1896, and others. Ibsen's plays are psychological in interest, but vividly realistic in language, and have given rise to a storm of controversy among critics.

## A Presiding Elder Held As a Vagrant in Georgia

OCCILLA, Ga., Aug. 29.—Although he produced papers to prove that he was a presiding elder of the African Methodist Church, with jurisdiction over twenty-two churches, the Rev. G. Wesley Hendrix was bound over to the Irwin superior court yesterday, with four other negroes, by County Judge Henderson on a charge of vagrancy under the new Calvin law.

Hendrix contended that his calling

should give him immunity, but the testimony of the arresting officers was that he was without means of support, did no work and lived off such hard-working negroes as would allow him to impose on them. In the superior court his case will be tried before a jury.

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## ERIE MILK TRAIN SECTIONS COLLIDE

One Unidentified Man Killed; Fourteen Persons Injured.

TURNER, N. Y., Aug. 29.—One man was killed and fourteen persons were injured in a crash on the Erie Railroad near Newburgh Junction, at 5:30 o'clock this morning.

The first section of train No. 17, a milk train with passenger coach and combination car, was run into by the second section of the train, telescoping the coach and combination car. Nearly every person in the wrecked cars was hurt and every doctor that could be procured between Suffern and Middletown was hurried to the scene.

The man killed in the wreck has not yet been identified. His body was brought here. He was a German and his home, it is believed, was in Newark, N. J.

The accident followed the breakdown of the engine of the first section and a subsequent misunderstanding of orders. Wreckers from Jersey City and Port Jervis cleared the tracks and made possible a resumption of traffic.

## ORDERS TO NAVAL OFFICERS.

The following orders have been issued from the Navy Department:

Capt. B. P. Lambertson, September 8, 1903, detached lighthouse board, etc., to command South Atlantic Squadron; Commander W. F. Halsey, detached command Chesapeake, to Naval Academy; Lieutenant Commander F. J. Schell, detached Indiana, to Naval Academy; Lieuts. L. A. Cotton, E. T. Pollock, H. K. Hines, W. R. Shoemaker, A. B. Hoff, and N. L. Jones, detached Chesapeake, to Naval Academy; Lieuts. G. F. Cooper and M. E. Trench, detached Hartford, to Naval Academy; Assistant Surgeon J. C. Thompson, detached Chesapeake, to Nipisic; Paymaster G. P. Dyer, on August 29, 1903, detached duty as assistant to general storekeeper, navy yard, Portsmouth, N. H., etc., to Pensacola for duty as general storekeeper, purchasing pay officer, and paymaster of the yard; Paymaster H. L. Robbins, about August 31, 1903, detached duty as purchasing pay officer, general storekeeper, and paymaster of yard, Pensacola, Fla., to duty Bureau Supplies and Accounts to settle accounts; Paymaster J. C. Sullivan, additional duty as pay officer Puritan; Paymaster's Clerk C. T. Beatty, appointment to duty navy yard, Pensacola, Fla., revoked; Lieut. E. Mosle, Jr., detached Brooklyn, to Naval Hospital, New York, N. Y., for treatment.

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